

What is claimed is:

1. A method for internationalizing files for display on a browser comprising the steps
of:
- identifying a file having a first section marked with a first identifier;
- 5 receiving a language indicator;
- removing said first identifier from said first marked section prior to displaying said
file on the browser if said language indicator is a default language indicator; and
- substituting said first identifier and said first marked section with a first replacement
section corresponding to said language indicator prior to displaying said file on the browser if
said language indicator is not said default language indicator.
2. The method of claim 1, wherein said identifying step comprises the steps of:
- monitoring files being sent by a server; and
- identifying files being sent having an internationalization MIME-type.
3. The method of claim 2, wherein said monitoring and identifying files steps are
15 performed using MIME-type filtering.
4. The method of claim 1, wherein said removing step comprises the steps of:
- receiving an input stream based on said file;
- scanning said input stream for said first identifier; and

removing said first identifier from said first marked section in said input stream to generate an output stream for display on the browser.

5. The method of claim 1, wherein said substituting step comprises the steps of:

receiving an input stream based on said file;

scanning said input stream for said first identifier; and

substituting said first identifier and said first marked section in said input stream with said first replacement section to generate an output stream for display on the browser.

6. A method for manipulating files comprising the steps of:

identifying a file having a first section marked with a first identifier;

receiving an indicator; and

filtering said file to modify said first section marked with said first identifier based on said indicator.

7. The method of claim 6, wherein said filtering step comprises:

substituting said first identifier and said first marked section with a first replacement

section corresponding to said indicator.

8. The method of claim 6, wherein said filtering step comprises:

removing said first identifier from said first marked section if said indicator is a default indicator; and

substituting said first identifier and said first marked section with a first replacement section corresponding to said indicator if said indicator is not said default indicator.

9. The method of claim 8, wherein said removing step comprises the steps of:

receiving an input stream based on said file;

scanning said input stream for said first identifier; and

removing said first identifier from said first marked section in said input stream to generate an output stream for display on a browser.

10. The method of claim 8, wherein said substituting step comprises the steps of:

receiving an input stream based on said file;

scanning said input stream for said first identifier; and

substituting said first identifier and said first marked section in said input stream with said first replacement section to generate an output stream for display on a browser.

11. The method of claim 8, wherein said first section includes text and formatting codes.

12. The method of claim 8, wherein said replacement section includes text and formatting codes.

13. The method of claim 8, wherein said file is an XML file.

14. The method of claim 8, wherein said file is an HTML file.

15. The method of claim 8, wherein said first identifier comprises an opening tag having a unique indicator preceding said first section and a closing tag following said first section.

16. The method of claim 15, wherein said opening tag is `<X Y>` and said closing tag is `</X>`, wherein X is a tag and Y is said unique indicator.

17. The method of claim 8, said file further having a second section marked with a second identifier, said method further comprising the steps of:

removing said second identifier from said second section if said indicator is a default indicator; and

substituting said second section with a second replacement sections corresponding to said indicator if said indicator is not said default indicator.

18. A system for internationalizing files for display on a browser, said system comprising:

means for identifying a file having a first section marked with a first identifier;

means for receiving a language indicator;

means for removing said first identifier from said first marked section prior to displaying said file on the browser if said language indicator is a default language indicator; and

means for substituting said first identifier and said first marked section with a first replacement section corresponding to said language indicator prior to displaying said file on the browser if said language indicator is not said default language indicator.

19. The system of claim 18, wherein said means for identifying comprises:

means for monitoring files being sent by a server; and

means for identifying files being sent having an internationalization MIME-type.

20. The method of claim 18, wherein said means for removing comprises:

means for receiving an input stream based on said file;

means for scanning said input stream for said first identifier; and

means for removing said first identifier from said first marked section in said input stream to generate an output stream for display on the browser.

21. The method of claim 18, wherein said means for substituting comprises:

means for receiving an input stream based on said file;

means for scanning said input stream for said first identifier; and

means for substituting said first identifier and said first marked section in said input stream with said first replacement section to generate an output stream for display on the browser.

22. A computer program product for internationalizing files for display on a browser, said computer program product comprising:

computer readable program code embodied in a computer readable medium, the computer readable program code comprising at least:

computer readable program code for identifying a file having a first section marked with a first identifier;

computer readable program code for receiving a language indicator;

computer readable program code for removing said first identifier from said first marked section if said language indicator is a default language indicator; and

computer readable program code for substituting said first identifier and said first marked section with a first replacement section corresponding to said language indicator if said language indicator is not said default language indicator.

23. The system of claim 22, wherein said computer readable program code for identifying comprises:

computer readable program code for monitoring files being sent by a server; and

computer readable program code for identifying files being sent having an internationalization MIME-type.

24. The method of claim 22, wherein said computer readable program code for removing comprises:

computer readable program code for receiving an input stream based on said file;

computer readable program code for scanning said input stream for said first

5 identifier; and

computer readable program code for removing said first identifier from said first marked section in said input stream to generate an output stream for display on the browser.

25. The method of claim 22, wherein said computer readable program code for substituting comprises:

computer readable program code for receiving an input stream based on said file;

computer readable program code for scanning said input stream for said first

10 identifier; and

computer readable program code for substituting said first identifier and said first marked section in said input stream with said first replacement section to generate an output
15 stream for display on the browser.